UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT for the Western District of Texas United States of America v. ASHLEY TANYA GARCIA UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT for the District of Texas Texas April 04, 2023 CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS BY: CD DEPUTY Case No. SA-23-MJ-00502

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Defendant(s)		
	CRIMINAL CO	OMPLAINT
-	_	is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
On or about the date(s) of		
Western District of Texas	, the d	lefendant(s) violated:
Code Section		Offense Description
18 U.S.C. §§ 2261A and 1028 (a)(7)	Cyberstalking and Ide	entity Theft
	release, \$100 mandate 1028(a)(7) - 5 years	risonment, \$250,000 fine, 3 years supervised ory special assessment. imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, 3 years supervised ory special assessment.
This criminal complaint is ba	sed on these facts:	
See attached affidavit.		
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		ANTHONY CHESLIC Digitally signed by ANTHONY CHESLIC Date: 2023.04.04 14:26:07 -05'00'
		Complainant's signature
		Anthony C. Cheslic, FBI Special Agent
		Printed name and title
Sworn to before me and signed in my presence. Sworn to telephonically and signed electronically. Date: April 4, 2023		11/182
		Judge's signature
City and state: San Antonio, Te	xas	Richard B. Farrer, U.S. Magistrate Judge
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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, Anthony C. Cheslic, being duly sworn, depose and say that:

- 1. I am an investigative or law enforcement officer of the United States within the meaning of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2510 (7), who is empowered by law to conduct investigations of, and to make arrests for, offenses enumerated in Title 18, United States Code, Section 2516. I am a Special Agent (SA) with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and have been so employed for approximately two (2) years. I am currently assigned to the San Antonio Division of the FBI on a Cyber Squad, which investigates crimes carried out using computers or computer networks. I have received training in the investigation of cybercrime to include cyberstalking.
- 2. This affidavit is submitted in support of an Application for a Criminal Complaint for **ASHLEY TANYA GARCIA**. Based upon the information summarized in this application, I have reason to believe and do believe probable cause exists that **GARCIA** has committed Cyberstalking and Identity Theft, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2261A(2) and 1028(a)(7), respectively.
- 3. The facts contained within this affidavit are based upon my investigation and the investigation of fellow FBI agents and other state of Texas law enforcement officers in this matter to date.

The Investigation

4. On **December 14, 2020**, The Texas Office of Attorney General--Criminal Investigations Division received a request for assistance from the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) related to the cyberstalking and identity theft of C.K., a resident of the United Kingdom. Law enforcement reports from the United Kingdom, Manchester, England, detail the systematic online harassment of C.K. by his former girlfriend, extending, at that time, for over six months. Having determined the cyberstalker, **ASHLEY GARCIA**, had an address in **Pipe Creek, Texas**, with an alternate address in **San Antonio, Texas**, within the Western District of Texas, the criminal investigation was referred to The Texas Office of Attorney General, who subsequently requested the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Cyberstalking

- 5. On March 28, 2020, GARCIA sent emails to the five most senior supervisors at C.K.'s place of employment (Dalmore Capital). The emails contained nude images of C.K. with his penis covered with a small black box along with sexually explicit comments. The emails caused C.K. substantial emotional distress and resulted in C.K. leaving his place of employment. Subsequent communications from GARCIA to C.K. emphasized her intent behind the emails to destroy C.K.'s life.
- 6. Since leaving his place of professional employment, C.K. has been unable to secure other employment because of GARCIA's continued course of conduct which utilizes the internet to injure and harass C.K., causing substantial emotional distress to C.K. Specifically, as is common practice among potential employers, especially for professionals, Google searches are conducted as part of the vetting process. Multiple potential employers informed C.K. that Google searches of his name generate multiple internet domains, i.e., websites bearing his name, which when accessed, link searchers to GARCIA's blog entitled "How to Live in Paris," where she posts injurious and harassing information about C.K. For example, several such entries authored by GARCIA state, "Despite the extreme ego, he is so obsessed with praise he seeks attention by posting photos and videos of his penis on Reddit, and waits with anticipation for comments," and another, "C******** K********, Meritocracy, Moral Exceptionalism, Gaslighting, Manipulation, Negging, Oxford, Misogyny, Toxic Masculinity, Misogyny," and yet another, "My ex, C******** K******** s dick smelled so badly that I honestly have an irrational fear that I never felt before I met him."

Identity Theft

7. Beginning on or about April 1, 2020, and continuing through the date of this affidavit, GARCIA created and maintains domains bearing the victim's name. These domains all link to a single Blogger website "How to Live in Paris" where the victim is again identified by name along with statements intended to, and which do, harass, intimidate, and injure C.K., including but not limited to statements containing sexually explicit details. These domains include various iterations of C.K.'s name and often include references to his professional career, including but not limited to:

- www.c********k********.com
- www. c*******jk********.com
- www. c*****k********.com
- www. c****************.co.uk
- www. c*******jamesk*******.com
- www. c*******k********limited.com
- www.k*******capital.com
- www.k*******consultants.com
- www.k******finance.com
- www. c*******k*******finance.com
- www.k*******privateequity.com
- www.k*******magdalenoxford.com
- www. c*******k********.org
- 8. On or about May 1st, 2020, **GARCIA** emailed a link to C.K.'s employer that directed them to the content she had authored and published online, again intending to injure, harass, and intimidate. When confronted by C.K., **GARCIA** admitted her actions, as well as her intention with the online course of conduct -- to cause destructive harm to C.K.

1&1 IONOS, Inc. Subpoena Return

9. On December 16th, 2020, 1&1 IONOS, Inc., a company that manages and sells online domain names, responded to a subpoena. 1&1 IONOS, Inc. identified the registration of two online domain addresses and accounts, one with the name c********k***********.com the other bearing the name c***********************.org. The order also includes the creation of an email account under the name of contact@ c*******************.com. The invoice indicates the domains are owned and operated by GARCIA as the purchaser of services and was paid for by a MasterCard issued to GARCIA with the last four digits of 8334. The invoice bears the address of the owner/operator who placed the order; it is GARCIA's San Antonio based address. GARCIA currently resides at this address. Both previously mentioned domains remain active and are maintained to this day.

10. Based on the subpoena response from the internet domain company 1&1 IONOS Inc., identifying **ASHLEY GARCIA** as the purchaser and controller of the domains bearing the name of the victim, as well as the victim's statement, **ASHLEY GARCIA** intentionally created and currently possesses multiple domains unlawfully utilizing the victim's name (means of identification) with the sole intent to injure, harass, and intimidate C.K., thus causing extreme emotional distress and significant financial burden due to the loss of employment.

GARCIA has committed the suspected offenses within the Western District of Texas and elsewhere.

CONCLUSION

- 11. Based on the facts as stated in this document, your Affiant believes there is probable cause to believe that **GARCIA** has committed the offenses of Cyberstalking and Identity Theft, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2261A and 1028(a)(7), respectively.
- 12. I respectfully request that the Court issue an arrest warrant for **ASHLEY TANYA GARCIA**.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY CHESLIC

Digitally signed by ANTHONY CHESLIC Date: 2023.04.04 14:26:44 -05'00'

Anthony C. Cheslic Special Agent Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subscribed and sworn telephonically on this 4th day of April 2023.

HONORABLE RICHARD B. FARRER UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE